23 October 1973

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Joint Soviet-American Reconnaissance to
Monitor Middle East Cease-Fire

1. This memorandum outlines considerations involved and steps
that would be required to implement a proposal to monitor a Middle East
cease-fire arrangement by means of internationally sponsored joint
Soviet-American reconnaissance of the affected areas. The discussion
below focuses only on technical-operational elements of such an arrange-
ment; it does not evaluate political feasibility or related factors.

2. The example, below, is presented as a point of departure to
illustrate the range of factors involved in a joint reconnaissance arrangement.
The example is based on the premise of a program having broad international
involvement under UN auspices. There are alternative and intermediate
arrangements which could also be presented. For illustrative purposes,
the following assumptions were used:

    a. The US and the USSR would announce
their joint intention to perform photo reconnaissance
of the Middle East cease-fire areas under UN auspices;

    b. The "fact of" such reconnaissance and
the products and information derived therefrom would
be made available on an unrestricted basis to all relevant
parties, including the belligerents;

    c. An agreement would exist, containing
explicit provisions to be monitored.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDI

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   Attached is the memo that was put together
for the Director's background per instructions
from Don following the morning meeting today.
I would appreciate any comments, further
guidance, etc. that you have.

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